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TAGS: PINT, IT  
SUBJECT: AREL: NEW DC RESEARCH FACILITY

1. GROUP OF PROMINENT CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC SENATORS  
HAS FOUNDED RESEARCH ORGANIZATION TO HELP PARTY DEAL  
WITH ECONOMIC, SCIENTIFIC, AND OTHER TECHNICAL QUESTIONS.  
FIFTEEN FOUNDING MEMBERS OF NEW FACILITY, CALLED AREL  
(AGENZIA DI RICERCHE E LEGISLAZIONE), INCLUDE UMBERTO  
AGNELLI, (STOCK EXCHANGE PRESIDENT) URBANO ALETTI,  
(ECONOMIST) NINO ANDREATTA, AND TREASURY MINISTER  
GAETANO STAMMATI.

2. RESEARCH INITIATIVE WAS DESCRIBED TO US AS LONG  
AGO AS LAST JULY BY MILAN STOCK EXCHANGE PRESIDENT SE.  
URBANO ALETTI, OF MILAN DISTRICT, WHO APPEARS TO BE MAIN  
PROMOTER OF IDEA. HE TOLD US DECEMBER 29 ABOUT  
PROGRESS SO FAR AND GAVE US BROCHURE DESCRIBING AGENCY  
(TO BE POUCHED) WHICH HAS FAINT DESIGN OF CONGRESSIONAL  
LEGISLATURE REFERENCE SERVICE ABOUT IT.

3. ALETTI SAID AGENCY'S FUNCTION IS TO PROVIDE DC PARLIAMENT-  
ARIANS AND OTHERS WITH TECHNICAL AND ANALYTICAL EXPERTISE  
NECESSARY TO DRAFT EFFECTIVE LEGISLATION. HE ARGUED THAT LACK  
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OF EXACT KNOWLEDGE OFTEN LED TO LEGISLATION THAT FAILED IN  
ITS PURPOSE OR WAS UNWORKEABLE. AGENCY WOULD BE SIMILAR TO  
PCI'S ECONOMIC RESEARCH ORGANIZATION CESPE BUT WOULD BE  
BROADER-RANGING AND, HOPEFULLY, MORE PROFESSIONAL. ALETTI  
SAID AGENCY MUST BE KEPT LEAN AND RESEARCH WORK CONTRACTED  
WITH ONLY FIRST RATE PEOPLE. DIRECTOR HAD NOT YET BEEN NAMED.

4. ALETTI STRESSED THAT MONEY WAS NOT PROBLEM FOR NEW FACILITY. FIAT AND OTHER ITALIAN COMPANIES WERE SUBSCRIBERS TO TUNE OF SEVERAL MILLION LIRE EACH (AND THEY IN TURN HAD ACCESS TO PART OF AGENCY'S PRODUCT). NOR WAS THERE ANY CONFLICT WITH DC LEADERSHIP. HE AND OTHERS HAD BRIEFED ZACCAGNINI FULLY ON INITIATIVE AND ASSURED HIM PARTICIPANTS DID NOT MEAN TO START NEW DC FACTION BUT WANTED TO SERVE ENTIRE PARTY. PROBLEM AT THIS POINT SAID ALETTI, WAS HOW TO ASSEMBLE COMPETENT RESEARCHERS AND GET THEM WORKING ON PROJECTS OF REAL INTEREST TO PARTY. HE MENTIONED IMPROVING PARLIAMENTARY STAFFING, IMPROVEMENT OF PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE IN LOMBARDY, AND MAINTENANCE OF FORESTS AND NATURAL PRESERVES AS EXAMPLES OF APPROPRIATE SUBJECTS. FINA

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